





Curios and Relics  
Weapons  
Powder Horn  
Owned by Lincoln

Excerpts from newspapers and other sources

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Lincoln Financial Foundation Collection

Medina, Ohio  
125 N. Court St.  
Dec. 1, 1939

Lincoln Insurance Co.  
Fort Wayne, Ind.

Gentlemen:

I am enclosing a picture of a powder horn that is marked Abe Lincoln. This horn was owned by a noted sheriff who lived in this locality up to 20 years ago. The horn was found in an old log house in Macon County, Ill some seventy years ago. Came into his possession shortly afterwards. To just look at the picture there is no way to prove its genuinness but to look at the horn itself it has the ear marks of being something good and genuine which I believe it to be.

The name Abe Lincoln 1830 is written exactly as per enclosed slip. The only good check I have as to genuinness would seem to be the way the e is written in Abe. Can you be of any help to me in making further indentification of this signature, locality, etc.

Thanking you in advance for whatever assistance you may render me, I remain

Sincerely yours,  
M. O. Hallock

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PS. If you desire I will mail horn for your inspection.



St. M. O. Hallowell Conn

Powder Horn

December 5, 1939

Mr. M. O. Mallock  
125 N. Court St.  
Medina, Ohio

My dear Sir:

It would be a very difficult thing indeed to find any proof for the genuineness of the horn which you have. Of course we know that Lincoln was not a hunter and the date would be too early for service in the Black Hawk war. Furthermore I do not if Lincoln ever used the word Abe in writing his own signature. It was either A. Lincoln or Abraham Lincoln.

However, there might have been instances when he did write Abe and this may have been one of them.

Very truly yours,

LAW:FW  
L. A. Warren

Director



